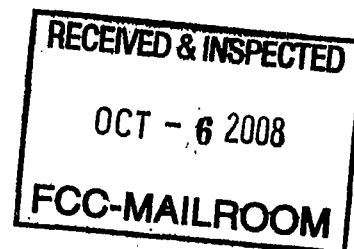


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Re: Annual Certification of Eligible Telecommunication Carriers
(ETCs) for Eligibility to Receive Federal High-Cost Fund
Support

05-GF-135

CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Majcher:

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) requires that state commissions must file an annual certification with Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the FCC stating that all federal high-cost fund (HCF) support provided to carriers in their respective states will be used only for the intended purposes.¹

As in previous years, the Commission requested and received sworn affidavits from the carriers identified in the enclosed list. The list identifies the name and study area as identified by USAC, and the date of receipt. All Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETC) receiving or projected to receive HCF support in the first quarter of 2009 have submitted affidavits. In addition, this year ETCs receiving HCF support were requested to provide information regarding the amount of support and its use. All ETCs that receive HCF support also provided information supporting the statements in their affidavits regarding their use of current and projected HCF support.

In its sworn affidavit, each carrier states:

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¹ In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45/CC Docket No. 00-256, Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45 and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256 (FCC 01-157) (released May 23, 2001).

4. Carrier files this affidavit in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's order of May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45, which requires states to certify to the Federal Communications Commission that all Federal High-Cost Support within this state be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

5. Carrier hereby states that it will use the Federal High-Cost Support Funds only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to § 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

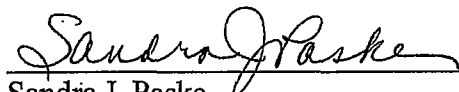
Relying on these sworn affidavits, and the additional information provided in support of those affidavits, the Commission certifies that all the federal HCF support funds received by the Wisconsin companies listed on the enclosure will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to § 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

The Commission has taken note of the FCC's recent revisions to the annual certification and reporting requirements for ETCs under its jurisdiction and that in its order the FCC encourages states to adopt these same requirements.² The Commission has issued a notice in rulemaking Docket No. 1-AC-198 addressing proposed rule changes to the Wisconsin Universal Service Fund. Those proposed rules now include updated provisions regarding ETC certification and reporting that closely conform to the FCC's current federal ETC requirements.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to Jeff Richter, of our staff, at (608) 267-9624.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, September 29, 2008

By the Commission:



Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission

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Enclosure

² In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, "Report and Order," (released March 17, 2005).

PSCW 2008 ETC Certifications

SAC	Study Area Name	Received
330841	CENTURYTEL-MW-WI	8/22/2008
330842	AMERY TELCOM, INC.	8/21/2008
330843	AMHERST TEL CO	8/21/2008
330844	BADGER TELECOM, INC.	8/21/2008
330846	BALDWIN TELECOM	8/21/2008
330847	BELMONT TEL CO	8/21/2008
330848	BERGEN TEL CO	8/21/2008
330849	BLACK EARTH TEL CO	8/21/2008
330850	BLOOMER TEL CO	8/21/2008
330851	BONDUEL TEL CO	8/21/2008
330855	BRUCE TEL CO, INC	8/21/2008
330856	BURLINGTON B&W	8/21/2008
330857	CENTURYTEL-MW-WI	8/22/2008
330859	CENTRAL STATE TEL CO	8/21/2008
330860	CHEQUAMEGON COM COOP	8/21/2008
330861	CHIBARDUN TEL COOP	8/21/2008
330863	CITIZENS TEL COOP-WI	8/21/2008
330865	CLEAR LAKE TEL CO-WI	8/21/2008
330866	COCHRANE COOP TEL CO	8/21/2008
330868	COON VALLEY FARMERS	8/21/2008
330870	RHINELNDER-FRONTIER	8/21/2008
330872	CUBA CITY EXCHANGE	8/21/2008
330875	DICKEYVILLE TEL CORP	8/21/2008
330877	CENTURYTEL-FAIRWATER	8/22/2008
330879	FARMERS INDEPENDENT	8/21/2008
330880	FARMERS TEL CO - WI	8/21/2008
330881	MID-PLAINS TEL CO	8/21/2008
330884	CENTURYTEL-FORESTVIL	8/22/2008
330886	VERIZON NORTH-WI	8/21/2008
330889	HAGER TELECOM INC.	8/21/2008
330891	RHINELNDER-FRONTIER	8/21/2008
330892	HILLSBORO TEL CO	8/21/2008
330895	CENTURYTEL-WISCONSIN	8/22/2008
330896	LAKEFIELD TEL CO	8/21/2008
330898	CENTURYTEL LARSEN	8/22/2008
330899	LA VALLE TEL COOP	8/21/2008
330900	LEMONWEIR VALLEY TEL	8/21/2008
330902	LUCK TEL CO	8/21/2008
330905	MANAWA TEL CO	8/21/2008
330908	MARQUETTE-ADAMS COOP	8/21/2008

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330909	MIDWAY TEL CO	8/21/2008
330910	MILLTOWN MUTUAL TEL	8/21/2008
330912	FRONTIER-MONDOVI	8/21/2008
330913	CENTURYTEL MONROE	8/22/2008
330914	EASTCOAST TELECOM	8/21/2008
330915	MOSINEE TEL CO	8/21/2008
330916	MOUNT HOREB TEL CO	8/21/2008
330917	MT VERNON TEL CO	8/21/2008
330918	NELSON TEL COOP	8/21/2008
330920	NIAGARA TEL CO	8/21/2008
330922	CENTURYTEL-MW-WI/NW	8/22/2008
330924	CENTURYTEL-MW-KENDAL	8/22/2008
330925	BAYLAND TEL CO	8/21/2008
330930	GRANTLAND TELECOM	8/21/2008
330931	CENTURYTEL-SO WI	8/22/2008
330934	CENTURYTEL-MW-WI	8/22/2008
330936	INDIANHEAD TEL CO	8/21/2008
330937	PRICE COUNTY TEL CO	8/21/2008
330938	NORTHEAST TEL CO	8/21/2008
330940	RHINELANDER-FRONTIER	8/21/2008
330941	RHINELANDER-FRONTIER	8/21/2008
330942	RICHLAND-GRANT COOP	8/21/2008
330943	RIVERSIDE TELECOM	8/21/2008
330944	FRONTIER-ST.CROIX	8/21/2008
330945	SCANDINAVIA TEL CO	8/21/2008
330946	SHARON TEL CO	8/21/2008
330949	SIREN TEL CO, INC	8/21/2008
330950	CENTURYTEL-NW-WI	8/22/2008
330951	SOMERSET TEL CO	8/21/2008
330952	SE TEL OF WISCONSIN	8/21/2008
330953	SPRING VALLEY TEL CO	8/21/2008
330954	STOCKBRIDGE & SHERWD	8/21/2008
330955	STATE LONG DISTANCE	8/21/2008
330956	CENTURYTEL-NORTH WI	8/22/2008
330958	TENNEY TEL CO	8/21/2008
330959	CENTURYTEL-MW-WI	8/22/2008
330960	TRI-COUNTY COMM COOP	8/21/2008
330962	UNION TEL CO	8/21/2008
330963	UTELCO, INC	8/21/2008
330964	FRONTIER-WISCONSIN	8/21/2008

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330966	VERNON TEL COOP	8/21/2008
330967	FRONTIER OF VIROQUA	8/21/2008
330968	WAUNAKEE TEL CO	8/21/2008
330970	CENTURYTEL-MW-WI	8/22/2008
330971	W. WISCONSIN TELCOM	8/21/2008
330973	WITTENBERG TEL CO	8/21/2008
330974	WOOD COUNTY TEL CO	8/21/2008
331155	TELEPHONE USA OF WI	8/22/2008
331159	CENTURYTEL-CENTRL WI	8/22/2008
335220	WISCONSIN BELL	8/8/2008
339001	CTC TELCOM, INC.	8/21/2008
339003	CHEQUAMEGON TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, INC.	8/21/2008
339004	BAYLAND COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	8/21/2008
339006	MIDWEST WIRELESS WISCONSIN, LLC	8/22/2008
339007	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	8/21/2008
339008	SHARON TELEPHONE CO	8/21/2008
339009	NPCR, INC.	8/18/2008
339010	WISCONSIN RSA #4 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	8/22/2008
339011	WAUSAU CELLULAR TELEPHONE COMPANY, LP	8/22/2008
339012	WISCONSIN RSA #10 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	8/22/2008
339014	BROWN COUNTY MSA CELLULAR LTD. PARTNERSHIP	8/22/2008
339015	NSIGHTTEL WIRELESS, LLC	8/22/2008
339016	WISCONSIN RSA #3 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	8/22/2008
339017	ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	8/21/2008
339020	AIRADIGM COMMUNICATIONS INC.	8/21/2008
339021	SAGE TELECOM	8/14/2008
339920	AMERICAN CELLULAR CORP. (WI)	8/22/2008
339922	NEXUS COMMUNICATIONS	8/22/2008
341183	CITIZENS OF ILLINOIS	8/21/2008
Unknown	BUG TUSSEL WIRELESS	8/20/2008
Unknown	NEIT WIRELESS LLC	8/15/2008